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EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

Scotland will have at Dunfermline a technical college chiefly devoted to linen weaving.

Wm. Downing was hit by a pitched ball while playing ball at Newton, Mass., Saturday, and died next day.

The Kentucky Educational Association elected T. W. Vinson, of Princeton, President, adjourning the forty-fourth session Saturday.

The streets in Henderson will be oiled by contract at 2 cents a square yard. The oil costs 3 1/2 cents a gallon, as against 4 1/2 cents last year.

Whitley county voted overwhelmingly in favor of issuing bonds for road-building purposes, the vote standing 3,000 for, with only 500 against.

Leroy Brohawn, assistant bookkeeper of the Fayette Home Telephone Co. has been arrested in Baltimore on a charge of defaulting for \$2,200 in his accounts.

Berlin announces that recently the German high sea fleet repeatedly has cruised in the North Sea, even in English waters, but without meeting the naval forces of Great Britain.

One of the men in a wrestling match at Lexington this week is named Wladek Zbyszko. The last fellow who threw him seems to have given him some sort of a shaking up.

Congressman Harvey Helm, of the Eighth Kentucky district, was fined \$50 at Stanford on the charge of having assaulted Stewart Carson, a young telegraph operator, following a quarrel.

Julius Babey shot and killed his wife and seriously wounded his mother-in-law in Louisville. His wife had recently brought suit for divorce. Julius, while playing the role of a warm baby, didn't forget his mother-in-law.

The present Democratic Executive Committee will, from present indications, obstruct any wish or demand of the Democrats to meet in State Convention. Conventions usually reorganize the party committees and the present committee desires no changes.

Jaques Goujon, a French boy of 17, has been decorated for distinguished bravery. He killed two German sentinels, blew up with bombs two quick firers, was captured but escaped carrying with him a machine gun, with which he regained the French lines. Later in battle his right arm was torn off by a shell.

WANTS HEART OR MONEY.

Mortgaged Farm in Vain to Win Bride—Sues For Breach of Promise.

Henderson, Ky., April 23.—The first breach of promise suit ever filed by a man against a woman in this county, has been filed in circuit court by B. B. Hester, a prominent farmer, against Mrs. Ara Belle Walker, a widow. Hester alleges in his petition that last July Mrs. Walker promised to marry him if he would loan her \$1,539 to buy the interest of her children in a certain tract of land; that he procured the money from the Seabree Deposit bank, giving a mortgage on his farm, and gave it to her, but she refused and still refuses to marry him or return the money.

BUNNY DEAD.

New York, Apr. 26.—John Bunny, the moving picture comedian, died to-day, aged 52. He was the Vitagraph's highest paid star.

RESURFACING PAVED STREETS

Southern Bitulithic Co. Replacing Defective Topping Used.

WHICH COSTS CITY NOTHING.

Action Taken Voluntarily After Analyses of Materials Used.

The Southern Bitulithic Co., of Nashville, began yesterday the work of resurfacing the entire area of 12 blocks of paved streets laid by the company in the fall of 1912.

The company entered into a contract with the city to keep the streets in repair for five years. Small holes appeared in 1913 and these were repaired. By 1914 other and larger defective places developed and last fall very general repairs were made. At the same time the company had a chemical analysis made of the materials used in the base and the surfacing of the streets. Just what the conclusion reached has not been announced, but the company evidently found that the asphalt used in the top dressing was defective. At any rate the entire surfacing of from one to two inches is being dug up with picks and entirely new surfacing will replace it over the entire area on both Main and Ninth streets.

The change is made without cost to the city and voluntarily by the Southern Bitulithic Co. Whether that company, which uses the bitulithic process of Warren Bros., of Pennsylvania, has guarantees to fall back upon is not known. Be that as it may, the Southern Bitulithic Co. is "coming square" with this city. The same company is now putting down new streets in Nashville, Owensboro and other cities and could not afford to have unsatisfactory work remain as an object lesson in Hopkinsville.

The work of taking up the old street began at Ninth and Main, on East Ninth street.

HEART FAILURE CAUSES DEATH

Prominent Farmer of Edgote Neighborhood Found Dead In Bed.

Mr. G. W. Royster, a prominent and well known citizen of the Edgote neighborhood, was found dead in bed Sunday morning. Mr. Royster's health had not been good for several years. He shaved himself Saturday morning and appeared to be as well as usual when he retired Saturday night, but when he was called for breakfast Sunday morning there was no response, and on investigation it was found that he was dead. He was subject to attacks of heart trouble and death was probably due to heart failure.

Mr. Royster was 77 years old and is survived by one son, Mr. E. W. Royster, with whom he resided. His wife died about three years ago. He was a native of Virginia, but had lived in the neighborhood where he died, for about fifty years.

The deceased had been a member of Salem Baptist church for many years. The interment took place in Clarksville yesterday.

Women Fined.

Paducah, Ky., April 26.—Mrs. Attie Chestnut, Illinois Central agent at Gilbertsville, and assistant, Miss Nellie Houston pleaded guilty in the Federal Court to robbing the United States mails. They were fined \$500 and \$250, paid the fines in cash and were released.

W. C. T. U. Meets Tomorrow.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the First Baptist church on tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. A large attendance is desired, as business of importance will be considered. Everybody is cordially invited.

THE WILGUS PLAYGROUND

Similar Pleasure Spots in Operation in The City of Louisville.

UNDER A PARK COMMISSION.

Mr. Wilgus Probably Got His Idea From Visiting These Playgrounds.

As Hopkinsville will some day have public playgrounds for the children of the city, through the philanthropy of the late W. A. Wilgus, the following description of the playgrounds in Louisville, from the Times, will give an idea what these playgrounds should be:

"Louisville's eighteen large and well-equipped playgrounds will be thrown open to the public June 14, and until that time Supervisor F. I. S. Hess and Supt. Ernest Kettig will busy themselves getting the physical condition of each playground in the proper condition for operating on opening day. Last fall Supt. Kettig added trees and shrubs to most of the playgrounds, and for the past month he has been having new walks made and refinishing of various kinds done. He has installed sanitary drinking fountains in every playground.

He is having rope swings replaced with iron ones, which will not only be more durable, but will be safer for the children. Four new slides, the largest that can be bought, have been added to the apparatus, each playground in the city now being equipped with one.

SWIMMING POOL POPULAR.

Last season the big swimming pool at Central Park was used by 17,000 people. This year it is expected that it will be enjoyed by a still greater number. It will be opened at 5 o'clock each afternoon to business men of the city and an instructor will be in charge for those who need instruction. As has been the custom in the past, classes for business young men and women will be held in the evenings. Last year, for the first time, the pool was open to children from every playground in the city for one period each week, the instructors from various playgrounds taking charge of the classes from his playground. The plan worked so successfully last year that the same idea will be carried out this season.

In making plans for the season's work Supervisor Hess has decided to hold the festivals, which are usually given at the end of the season by the various playgrounds, during the middle of the season instead. At these festivals the parents and friends of the children who frequent the playgrounds are given an idea what kind of work is done on each playground. At the end of the season, however, a grand finale will be given in which the fascinating folk dances enjoyed on the playgrounds during the season will be danced by children from every playground in the city. These pageants are always attended by thousands of spectators, and this year Supervisor Hess hopes to make it the most spectacular ever given in Louisville. As has been the custom for several years, each playground will have a July 4 festival, when appropriate exercises will be given. Several thousand flags will be distributed and patriotism will be the order of the day.

GOOD ATHLETES DEVELOPED.

In the past six years a number of excellent athletes have been developed on the playgrounds as the result of the practice which has been afforded them in preparation for the contests and track meets which are held each year. The track meet which is held at the end of each season is one of the big athletic events of the year in Louisville, and practice this year will begin at the opening of the season in order that as many entries as possible may be made for the event. Interpark contests in baseball and volleyball for boys and volleyball for

TICHENOR THE WINNER

Oratorical Contest at Christian Church Held Friday Night.

UNDER AUSPICES W. C. T. U.

Six Young Orators Competed For The Silver Medal Offered.

The contest of six High School boys for the silver medal offered by the W. C. T. U. for the best declamation, of speeches provided, all on prohibition, was held at the Christian church Friday night and the medal was awarded to McHenry Tichenor.

The contestants in the order named were:

McHenry Tichenor—"The Destiny of America."

Wm. Thompson—"The Decree of a Century."

Sam Torian—"Young Men of Today."

Brown Wadlington—"Patriotism of Peace."

John Hanbery—"American Altruism."

Wm. Trahern—"Prohibition a Civic Necessity."

The judges were Rev. J. B. Eshman, D. W. Kitchen and Mrs. C. H. Tandy.

There were several musical numbers interspersed with the speeches, all appropriate to the occasion.

The solo of Miss Margaret Dalton was an especially delightful feature. She has a sweet and well trained voice and her singing was greatly enjoyed.

The solo of Robert Wright, a parody on Tipperary, was well rendered, with a strong chorus.

Young Tichenor, who won the coveted honor, is the bright young son of Mr. and Mrs. J. McHenry Tichenor.

METHODIST CONFERENCE

Hopkinsville District Meeting to be Held at Elkton This Week.

The Hopkinsville District Conference of the Louisville Conference, M. E. Church will convene at Elkton tomorrow and be in session five days. The opening sermon will be preached by the Rev. H. H. Jones, of Trenton, while the various sessions will be presided over by the Rev. T. L. Hulse, of this city, presiding elder of the district. Dr. Ewald F. Cook, of the Board of Missions, will preach Sunday. About a hundred visitors and delegates are expected to attend.

MRS. CUNNINGHAM Dies After Surgical Operation at Home in California.

Mrs. P. H. Cunningham, of Berkeley, California, a sister of Judge W. P. Winfree and Messrs T. S. and M. F. Winfree, of this city, died a few days ago. Death followed a surgical operation performed on the 17th inst. She leaves many friends and relatives in this county who will learn of her demise with sincere regret.

girls will be a big feature and scheduled games will be held during the entire season.

Supervisor Hess has selected his instructors for the coming season, the names of whom will not be made public, however, until they have been passed upon by the Board of Park Commissioners.

With every detail of playground work carefully planned and everything in readiness for the opening day the playground season for 1915 gives promise of being a most successful one.

ATTENDANCE OVER 2,800

At Sunday School In The Hopkinsville Churches Sunday.

DECREASE FROM YEAR AGO.

First Baptist Church Led, But Fell Below Attendance of 1914.

Hopkinsville churches generally observed Kentucky's "Go to Sunday School" day Sunday. The weather was ideal and the total attendance for the white churches of the city was 2,320. A decrease of 59 from "Go to Sunday School" day a year ago. The total colored attendance was 472. The First Baptist Sunday school led in attendance with 647.

The detailed report for the various white city churches is here given, compared with last year:

	1915	1914
First Baptist	647	685
Christian	506	455
Methodist	504	483
Second Baptist	146	115
Cumb. Pres.	130	150
Westminster Pres.	130	110
Highland Ch. Meth.	60	94
Grace Episcopal	75	69
First Pres.	59	61
Universalist	20	15
	2,360	2,379

COLORED SCHOOLS.

	1915	1914
Va. Street Baptist	203	127
Main St. Baptist	127	106
Liberty St. Methodist	106	46
Lane's Tabernacle	46	472

10 AUTOS SOLD EVERY MONTH

Few People Realize Growth of This Business In Hopkinsville.

The growth of the automobile business in Hopkinsville has been constant and great, as is shown by the fact that the leading company selling automobiles in the city has already sold 25 machines this year, as against 12 sold for the corresponding period last year.

Several sales have been made by other dealers, handling more expensive cars, so that the total sales in the city amount to 35 or 40 cars.

Chas. R. Lewis, secretary and general manager of the Ideal Motor Co., supplies this list of his sales of Fords and Studebakers:

FORD CARS.

E. G. Adams, Crofton, R. No. 1.	Garnett McCord, " " " "
R. F. Pool, " " " "	B. J. Cranor, " " " "
A. J. Adams, " " " "	J. Y. Crabtree, " " " "
R. W. Trotter, " " " "	F. P. Martin, Gracey.
W. H. Pearce, Hopkinsville.	P. H. Lee, " " " "
Rev. C. M. Thompson, " " " "	Dr. H. P. Sights, " " " "
Dr. J. E. Stone, " " " "	J. H. Adams, " " " "
Chas. D. Adams, " " " "	W. A. Chambers & Co., " " " "
Dr. J. L. Parker, Pembroke.	C. E. Sivley, Oak Grove, R. No. 2.
Dr. J. A. B. Word, Edgote.	M. C. Carneal, Pembroke, R. F. D.
Rev. R. O. Wickham, Lafayette.	

STUDEBAKER CARS.

Watkins Northington, Guthrie.	L. B. Downer, " " " "
Harry Williams, " " " "	
The other cars sold in the city were Cadillacs and Overlands and one Buick, which was bought by Mr. A. D. Noe.	

Graduating Gown, \$5.

Bowling Green, O.—Girl graduates of Bowling Green High School will spend only \$5 for commencement dress material this year. Dresses will be white. The boys have been requested to send but one American Beauty rose to their girl friend.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE

About to Be Resumed With 500,000 New Recruits.

DESIGNS ON PORT OF CALAIS

Comparative Quite Prevails In The Eastern Field of Operations.

London, April 26.—The German rushes in Flanders and the Wevre, where they claim considerable successes, are believed to be forerunners of another big effort to break through the allied lines in the west.

For many days Belgium has been sealed from the observation of neutrals, while German reinforcements are being moved to the south to take part in the new offensive, which they hope is to carry them to Calais. The attack in Flanders, originally levelled at the French, has been transferred to the British lines held by the Canadians, on the immediate right of the French, and here for two days the men from the dominion have been engaged in a deadly contest with the Germans. The Germans claim further progress toward Ypres and that British counter attacks have been repulsed.

The French, on the other hand, declare the allies' counter attacks continue with success and that the British hold all their positions, and repeat the charge that the Germans are using bombs containing asphyxiating gases.

The Frankfurter Zeitung justifies the use of these missiles on the ground that the allies have done likewise.

It is believed that half a million new German troops have reached Flanders and that more guns and material are to be used than were provided for in the original attempts to destroy the allied armies in the west—attempts which met with failure both in August and October.

In the meantime the eastern front is enjoying a period of comparative calm, except in the mid-Carpathians, where the Russians continue to attack the Austrians in Uzsoz pass and to the eastward, where the Austrians and Germans are trying to crush the Russian flank. Both sides report success.

Operations in the Dardanelles still are apparently continued to the bombardment of the Turkish entrenchments, while preparations are being made for landing the allied force, part of which is already on Turkish territory at Enos and other points.

Italy and Greece continue to debate what steps, if any, they will take, and Rumania, it is believed, waits on Italy's decision. It is stated that Austrian and German diplomats at Rome are prepared to recommend acceptance of Italy's terms, but are waiting for instructions from Vienna, which has the last word.

Greece, too, is considering terms, which, however, come from the allies, and Athens is torn by divided opinions, adherents of ex-Premier Venizelos demanding immediate intervention and the government supporters insisting that the integrity of the country must be guaranteed before Greece takes up arms. An Athens dispatch says that a decision is expected some time this week.

Fishing Party.

Mrs. T. B. Tuggle, of near Roaring Spring, was the hostess of a delightful fishing party Saturday. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Tuggle and family, Mrs. J. W. Wilson and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Averitt, Mr. E. W. Tuggle, Mr. I. L. Magraw, Mrs. E. S. Crute and daughters, Ella and Bettie, of Cadiz; Miss Ollie Lawson and Idelle Crute of Hopkinsville.

Sudden Death.

R. F. Morgan, a well known Nashville man, was found dead of heart disease in his room in a Pensacola hotel.